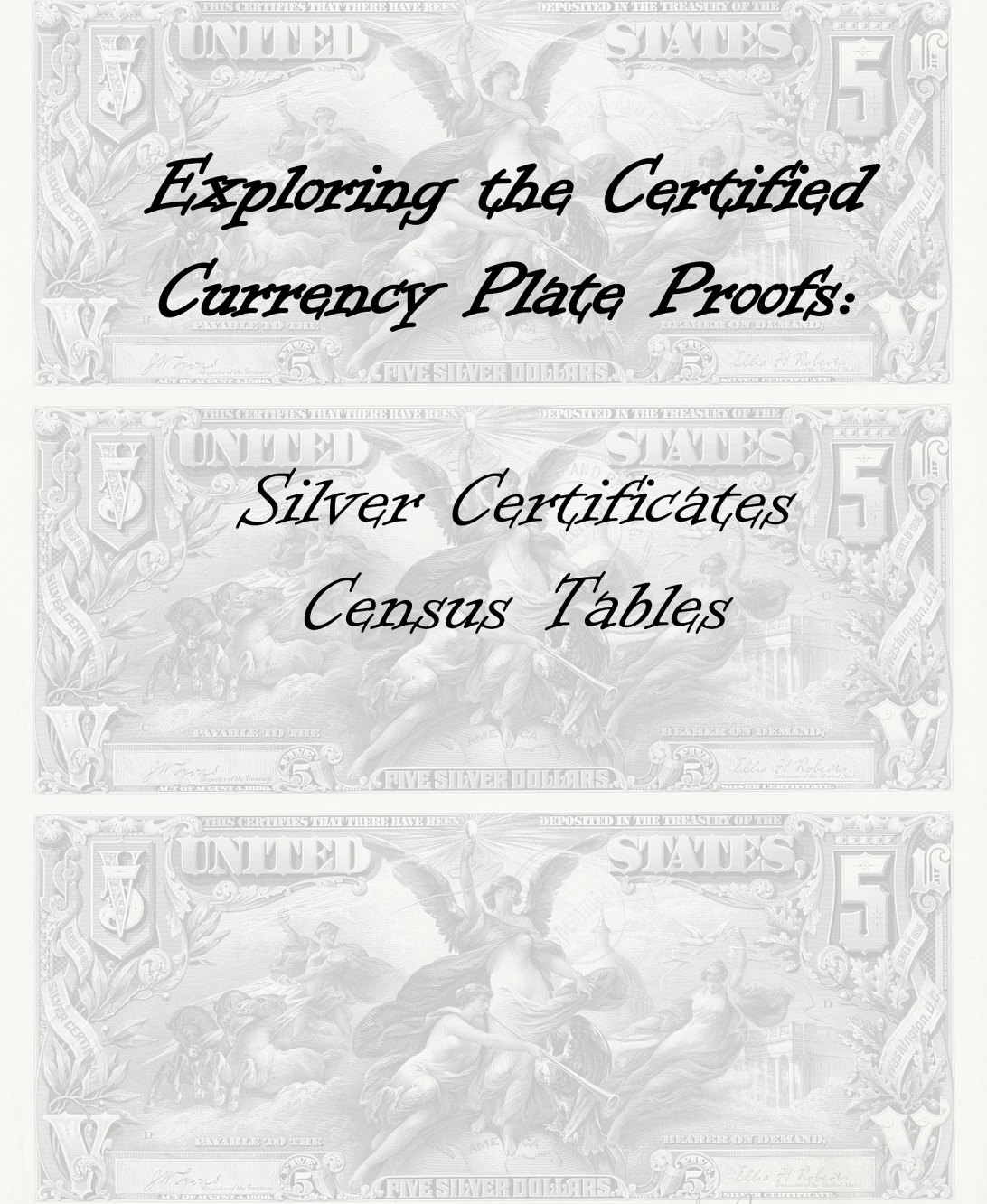
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I would include “Currency” in the quote below:

There is nothing more fascinating than collecting coins, all history is summed up in them…they are the story of humanity.

W.H. Valentine (1856-1927)

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The museum has a program called the Friends of the NNC that provide funds to various digitization and education projects that are a priority for the numismatic community and the department.

If you would like more information about the program you can find it here: http://americanhistory.si.edu/giving/friends-of-numismatics

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First Issue



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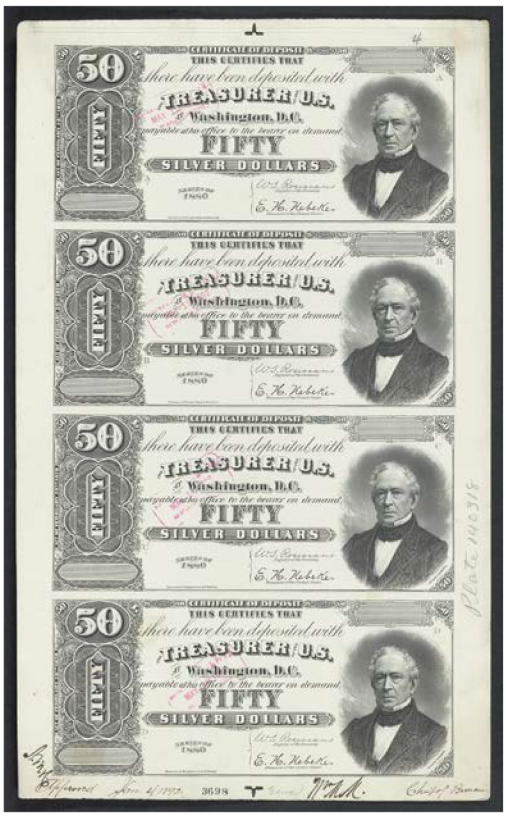
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$20	35	2	8	9	13	3		
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$1,000	5		2	1	2			

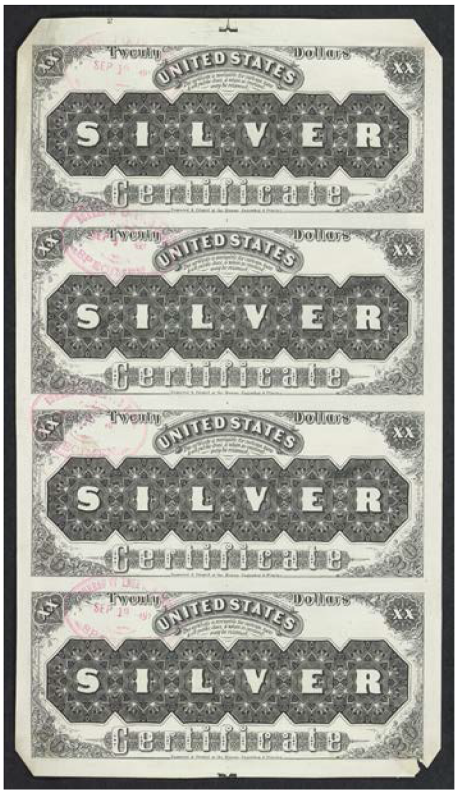
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NYH	New York, Hillhouse
SG	Scofield / Gilfillian
BG	Bruce / Gilfillian
BW	Bruce / Wyman
RJ	Rosecrans / Jordan
RH	Rosecrans / Huston
RN	Rosecrans / Nebeker

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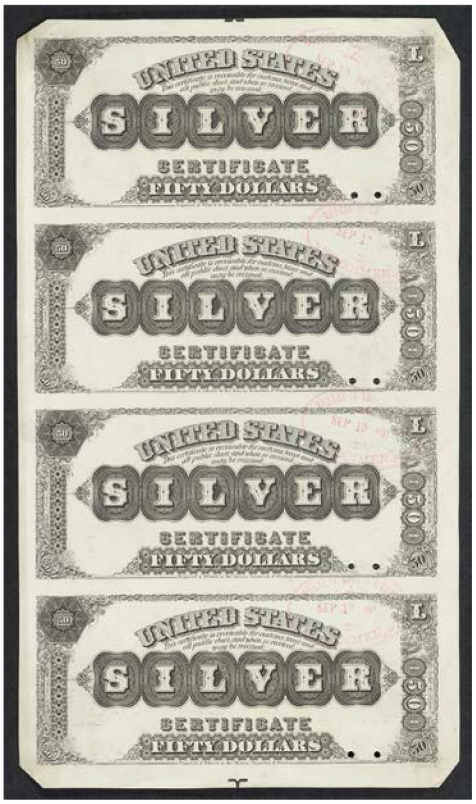
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$20, Reverse



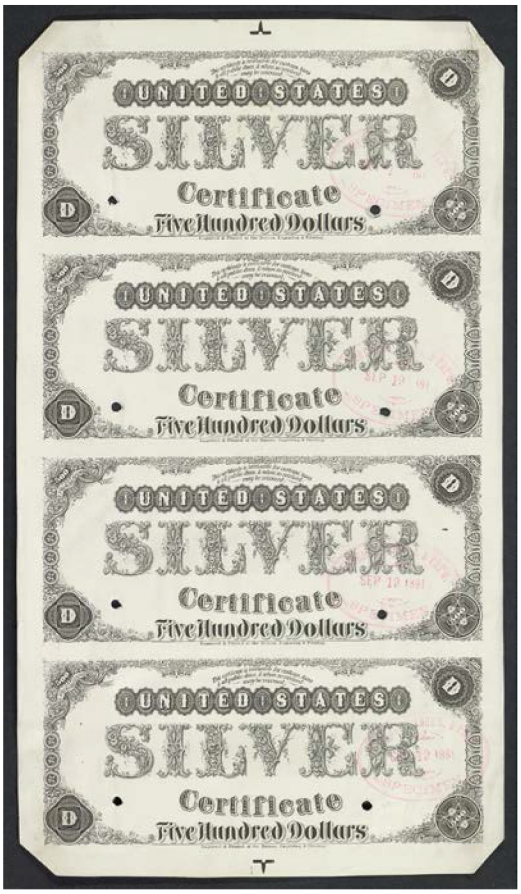
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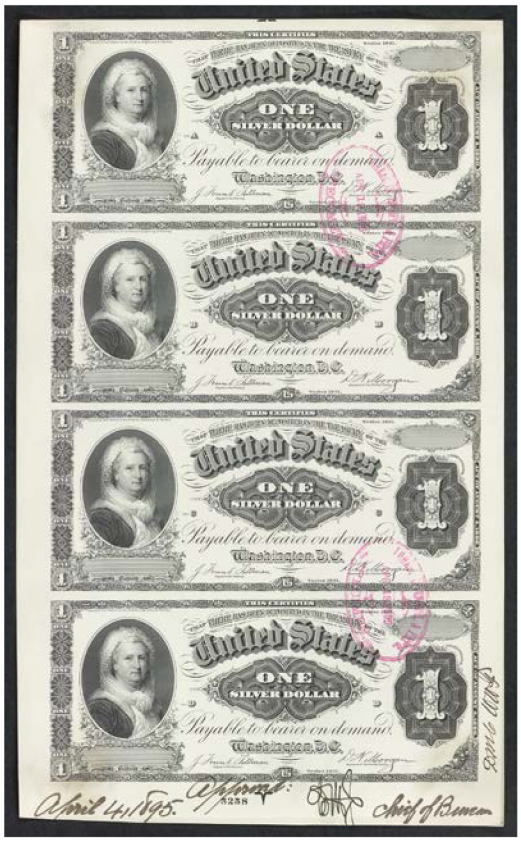


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$10	23
$20	20
$50	1
$100	1
$500	1
$1,000	1

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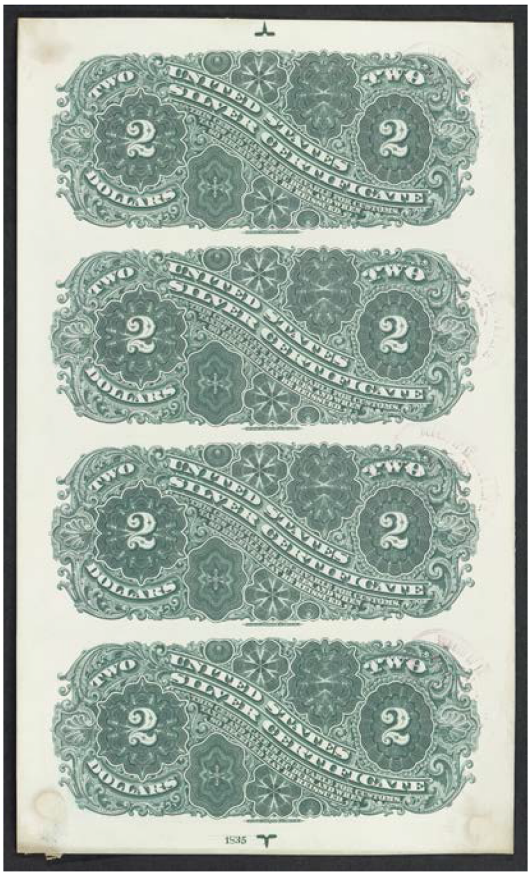
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$5	115
$10	67
$20	18

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$1	146
$2	41
$5	87
$10	51
$20	8

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Series of 1886





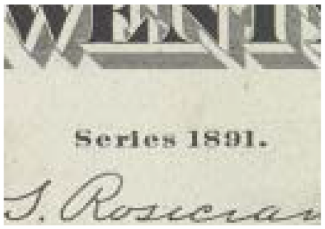
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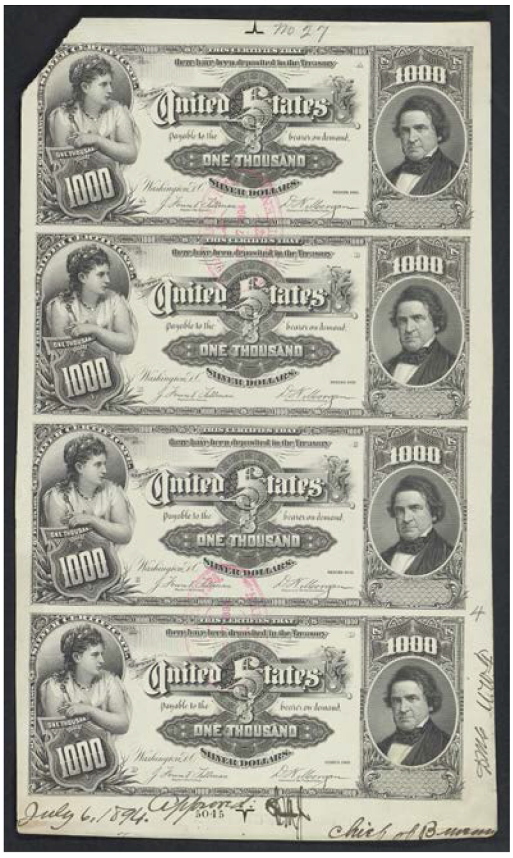


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Reverse



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Silver Certificates of 1891, 2nd Issue	
FRONT	TOTAL
$1	236
$2	83
$5	154
$10	175
$20	106
$50	28
$100	5
$1,000	1

Silver Certificates of 1891, 2nd Issue	
REVERSE	TOTAL
$1	127
$2	44
$5	63
$10	101
$20	37
$50	16
$100	4
$1,000	1

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$10, Reverse





Series of 1908

Silver Certificates of 1908, 2nd Issue	
FRONT	TOTAL
$10	160
REVERSE	TOTAL
$10	61

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The Educational Series



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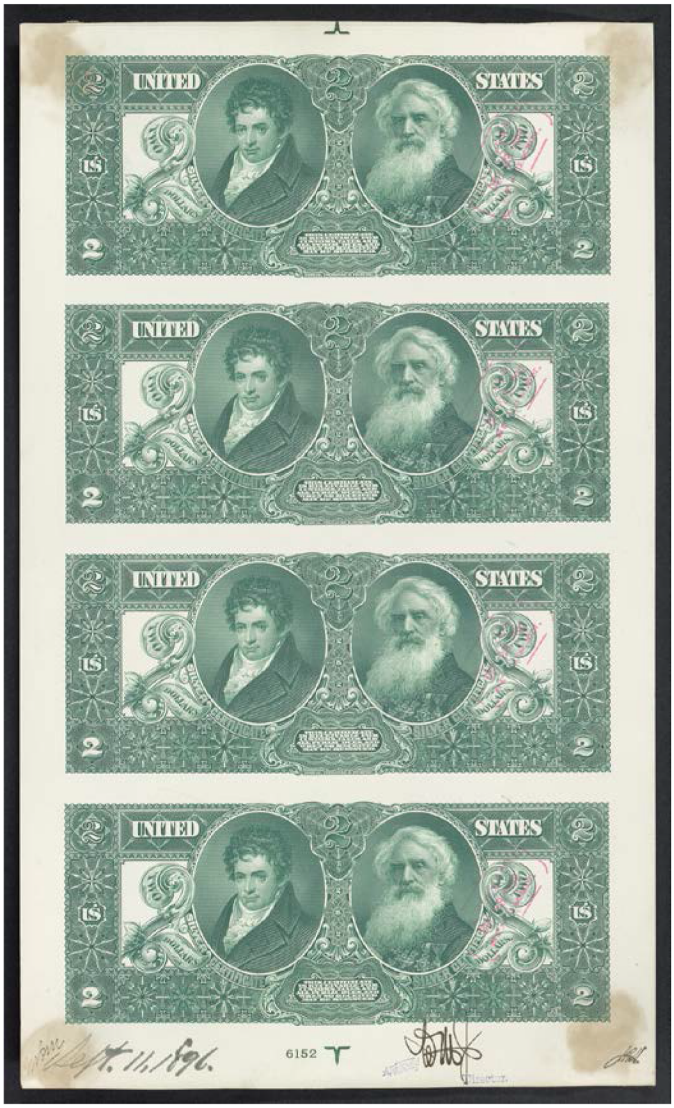
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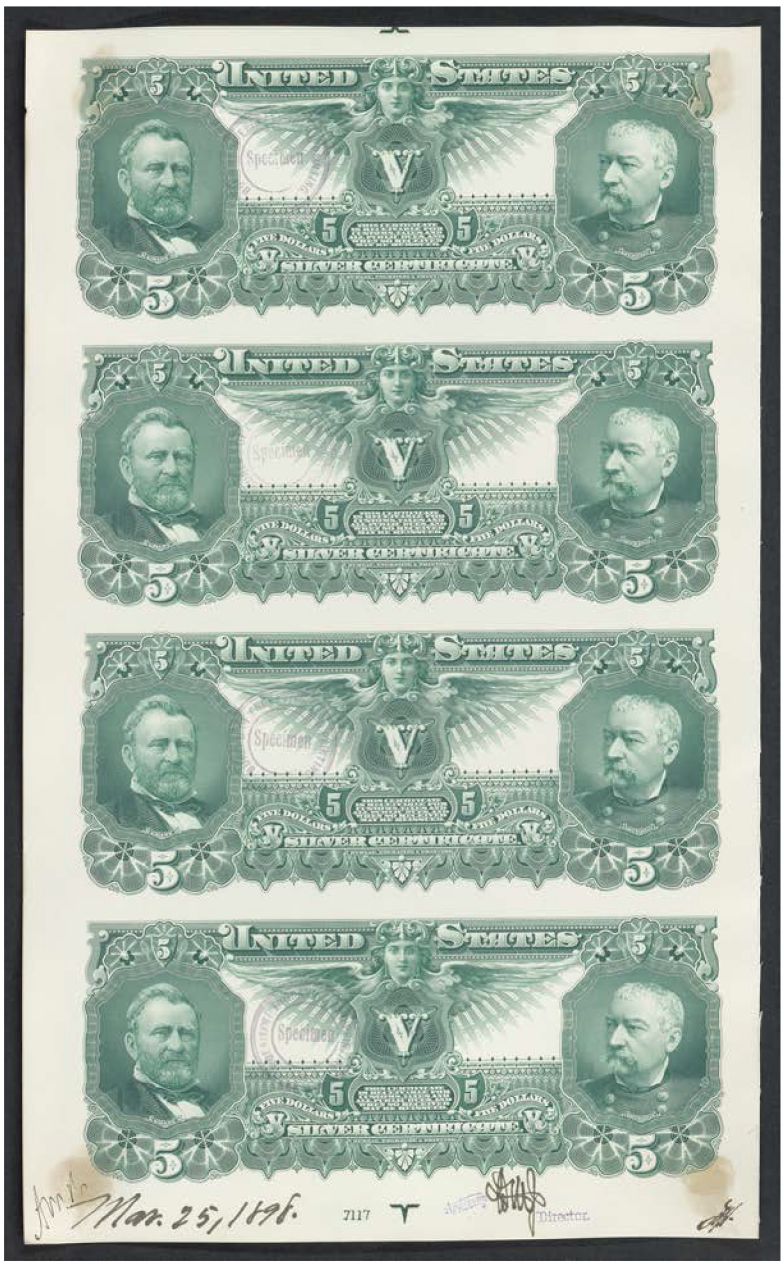


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$5	2,534	56

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$5	1,110	34

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Silver Certificates of 1923, 5th Issue	2x4 Layout
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